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SUBJ: KOREA AND PUERTO RICO

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1. USING KOREAN PORTION OF TEXT OF SECRETARY'S JULY 22 SPEECH, PRIOR GUIDANCE PROVIDED POST AND AID MEMOIRES, CHARGE FORWARDED LETTER OUTLINING U.S. POSITION ON KOREA AND PUERTO RICO TO MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, AMIR'S OFFICE DIRECTOR, WHO IS ALSO MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND TO AMIR'S CHIEF ADVISOR ON POLITICAL AFFAIRS.

2. ON MORNING JULY 27, WHICH WAS BEFORE REFTEL C RECEIVED,1 CHARGE BEGAN FOLLOW UP CALLS TO DIRECTOR OF POLITICAL AFFAIRS
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OF MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, ABDULLAH ALATIYAH AND LATER

CALL IN MORNING ON AMIR'S CHIEF POLITICAL ADVISOR, DR. HASSAN KAMAL. DRAWING ON ABOVE MATERIALS PROVIDED POST, CHARGE MADE REPRESENTATION ON U.S. POSITION ON KOREA AND PUERTO RICO AS REQUESTED REFTEL A. BOTH ALATIYAH AND KAMAL STATED THAT THEY PERSONALLY SAW LOGIC OF U.S. POSITIONS AND THAT THEY AGREED WITH THIS, BUT THEY COULD ONLY HOPE THAT GOQ WOULD ARRIVE AT SAME CONCLUSION AFTER CONSULTING WITH ITS ARAB BROTHERS AT TIME OF NAC OR ANY OTHER MEETINGS WHERE THESE ISSUES LIKELY TO COME UP.

3. BOTH KAMAL AND ALATIYAH REPEATED WHAT WE HAVE KNOWN AND REPORTED TO DEPT ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS, WHICH IS THAT QATAR DOES NOT TAKE INDEPENDENT POSITIONS ON INTERNATIONAL ISSUES, REGARDLESS OF HOW RIGHT OR WRONG ITS VIEWS ON A PARTICULAR ITEM. BOTH EMPHASIZED THAT QATAR GOES ALONG W/ MAJORITY OF ARAB STATES AND WHEN IT FEELS THAT IT IS CAUGHT IN MIDDLE OF OPPOSING POSITIONS BY LEADING ARAB STATES, IT ABSTAINS AND DOES NOT VOTE IF THIS IS THE ACTION REQUIRED.

4. IN VIEW OF QATAR'S STATED POLICY TO FOLLOW, RATHER THAN LEAD, IT MIGHT BE TO OUR ADVANTAGE TO ELICIT SUPPORT OF THE COUNTRY QATAR MORE LIKELY TO FOLLOW MORE THAN ANY OTHER; SAUDI ARABIA. PERHAPS WE COULD GET SAUDIS TO LEAN ON THE QATARIS AND EVEN GET THEM TO SO PERSONALLY VIA CROWN PRINCE FAHD AND PARTICULARLY SHOULD HIS VISIT TO QATAR TAKE PLACE BEFORE QATARI DELEGATION LEAVES FOR NAC AROUND AUG 10.

5. BOTH JAPANESE AND BRITISH EMBASSIES IN DOHA HAVE RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS FROM THEIR GOVERNMENTS TO MAKE REPRESENTATIONS ON KOREA BEFORE NAC. THIS HAS BEEN DONE AND REPS OF THESE COUNTRIES, RECEIVED REPLY GIVEN TO CHARGE.

6. AS MENTIONED ABOVE, REFTEL C RECEIVED TOO LATE AS CHARGE HAD ALREADY COMPLETED HIS REPRESENTATION WITH DIRECTOR OF POLITICAL AFFAIRS, AND HAD ALREADY GIVEN HIM AIDES MEMOIRE ON PUERTO RICO AND KOREA WHEN REFTEL RECEIVED HERE. NO DOCUMENTS LEFT WITH DR. KAMAL.

7. FOLLOW UP MEETING WITH AMIR'S OFFICE DIRECTOR DOES NOT SEEM POSSIBLE AND REASONS FOR THIS BEING REPORTED SEPTEL. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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